# POOR BOOK-KEEPING

Partly the Cause of the Baltimore & Ohio's Troubles.

### THE REPORT OF EXPERT LITTLE.

the Accountant of the Reorganization Committee-Over-Statement of Income piscovered-Swelled by Amounts that should Have Gone to Profit and Loss, Errors Involving Millions of Dollars. Many Improper Entries are Found.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 4.-The report of tephen Little, the expert accountant to he Haltimore & Ohlo reorganization committee, was made public to-day. The untant finds, among other things, an mounting to \$3.721,067 from June 20, 591, to June 20, 1895. This amount is dided as follows: For 1892, \$953,473; for 1893, \$442,301; for 1893, 51,233. He also finds that of the \$6,500 paid in dividends during the peridemental process and the methods of swelling the copies each year are given in detail, y writing up the values of stocks owned at other such practices, the net income mounting to \$2,721,067 from June 20,

453 were improperly charged to

or the sevin years and two ling November 30, 1895. Dur-ad under scrutiny, there were 956,829 in stock and \$2,312,068 idends on the common stock, with the stock dividend of 2 November, 1891, was the sale sale of \$5,095,000 additional

Little says that the Habilitles of ny on November 20, 1835, were d by \$5,481,834, and that the bt was \$15,712,720. The net in-inbilities for the period under been \$22,180,073.

Little's report shows that for an tainment of the causes that ought about the financial condition mpany on November 30, 1895, back to September 30, 1888, after an expert examination, made rs, the company was considered

I. Little says, in regard to "the charge of worn out equipment to it and loss instead of income: here is no fault to be found without the contrary every commendator—the wisdom of writing off the Diment, as it disappeared from the Having, however, cleaned up, so sheak in the fiscal year 1838, by king \$4,000,000 of this equipment to it and loss, there was no propriety continuing to make the charge to account, it should, in my Judge, have been charged to income and the purpose of accertaining the true me of each succeeding year since

ting, that, if no unearned divi-had been paid during the period consideration, the road would remained solvent. Mr. Little's are as follows:

income account may be considered, facts will not be disputed. The contable that the show a surplus over all charges of \$4.08, but it is not to be taken as an ation of what the whole year may

#### Linbilittes Underestimated.

nder the head "under estimate of

of items, says:

be under-statement of its liabilities sinch I refer and of which no efficial than has been made publicly, constituted has no piace on its hooks the company is, nevertheless, bound as adotsement. These leans, moreover statement, these leans moreover the those of the Ittshurgh acquired with those of the Ittshurgh & Westmand the Valley railway of Onto."

Extending Industries. Extending Industries.

Extending Industries.

General Traffic Manager Randolph, of the featiment & Ohio Sauthewestern, upon a recent visit to this city to see efficient and the Baltimore & Ohio ralliant, said he is paying considerable attention less now to the development of the local industries about his line, for a number of years the Paltimore & Ohio Rauthewestern has featured its local Endustries and endeavored to place the man a paying basis, by somethy furnishing ears, etc., for their coversement, but still further efforts are to be made. Coal Traffic Manager W. V. Feabody, fr., has been placed in toalse of this department, in addition to also own, and it is expected that the Haltimore & Ohio Southwestern will add greatly to its revenues by securing

new manufacturing industries to be cate along its line of radical in Ohio Indiana and Illinois. This road has a great advantage in boing able to fur-nish very cheap fuel.

The Tahreling

#### BOOMING ALGER

Michigan Wants Him in the Cabinet-Th CANTON, O., Dec. 4.—Col. Hecker, of

Detroit; President Angell, of Michigan University, Ann Arbe Col. H. M. Duf-University, Ann Arbe Col. H. M. Daffield, Detroit; President Babcock, of the Michigan club, Detroit; Hon. George Spalding, ex-secretary of state, A. J. Conant, iton. A. T. Biles, Saginaw, and Hon. Samuel Stevenson, Menominec, constituted a part of a Michigan party which arrived on a special train this afternoon. They drove direct to Major McKinley's residence, where a conference used by

A member of the party said in so many

night.

A member of the party said in so many words that they were here in an endeavor to advance the chances of General Alger for the war portfolio.

Hon. Charles II. Dodd, of Partland, Ore, state chairman of the Republican state central committee, was granted an audience during the day.

Staff and field officers of the Eighth regiment, Ohio National Guard, which is to escort Major McKinley, met nere today and during a call at the major's home were photographed with the major in the group. At the meeting it was decided to have the regiment assemble in Canton on the morning of the day on which Major McKinley starts for Akron, and the restiment will go on his train. Troop A, of Cleveland, will also come to Canton and go with the regiment. The poddiess will have special Pullman trains and will live in their cars while in Washington. The return trip will be made either on the fifth or sixth of March, the day not having been definitely fixed. The route taken, of course, will be the one by which Major McKinley travels, and the matter of fare was left to the colonel and the regimental quartermaster to arrange. It will, however, be a very low rate.

#### NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS Will be Permanently Maintained as

CLEVEEAND, Ohlo, Dec. 4—Chair-man M. A. Hanna, accompanied by national committeeman Henry C. Payne,

late to the effect that Mr. Dawes will be made the private secretary of the President-elect. A gentleman who is a close friend of Major McKinley said to-day that Mr. Dawes could undoubtedly have the position if he desired it.

### BRADLEY NOT A AFRAID.

Will Call an Extra Session and Isn't

Senatorial Candidate.
CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 4.—The Com mercial Tribune will to-morrow print ley, of Kentucky, who is here for treat-

He also said he had no favorites whom

he was grooming for sensior and that he was not going to Canton from here.

### Dill Emerges From His Hole.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Senator David bout 8 o'clock. To a reporter who tried ests or the party. I certainly will not say or do anything in this session to widen the breach between Democrats. There are questions of finance and tar-fit which are bound to come up. These I will discuss on the floor of the senate, but not here."

#### Big Pire.

Big Fire.

Ligonier. Pa., Dec. 4.—Fire broke out in M. Clifford and Son's store last night at 12 o'clock and before assistance arrived the entire block was swept from the face of the earth and \$50,000 worth of property went up in smoke and ten business firms cleaned out.

The buildings destroyed were the Clifford block Murdack's Jewelry store, Fowler's tin ware store. Meller's hardware store, Hon. N. W. Markers reddence, and business block, Ligonier Echo office, postoffice and Marker's generat store.

The fire was finally controlled at 4 o'clock, after a fumber of buildings had been torn down to prevent the spread of the flames.

# Rishop Kenne.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Rishon Keane arrived from washington this afternoon on his way to Rome and will sail for Havre at noon to-morrow. He said; "I expect to arrive in Rome on the 19th, or Sales to arrive in tonic report to the hely father for duly. The pope has already expressed has intention to make me an archidehop and a consultor of the congregation of the propaganda, and of the congregation of sacred studies."

# Gravenar's ferre Reply.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Congressman Charles S. Grosvenor, of Ohlo, is in the city. In an interview to-day he said: "I do not think Mr. Hanna or any

"I do not think Mr. Hanna or any other Ohloan will be in the cabinet."
"Do you think the Dingley tariff can pass." The reporter asked.
"I do not think we will have any tar-iff legislation this zession." colled Gen. Grovenor. "I am opposed to the Ding-ley bill, because it follows in the line of the old molely, perniclous and inadequate system of ad valorem dathes."

# Col. Fellows Very 111.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—To-night Colonel Fellows is in a critical conditions. Two physicians remained with him all night.

# SILVER SENATORS

Who Bolted the Republican Nomination on the Ground.

#### WILL NOT OUTLINE PROGRAMME

Until They All Get Together-Their Attitude Toward Tariff Legislation will Depend on Caucus Action-They Still Claim to be Protectionists - Papalist Pet fer Works Off Some Demagogy-Strad illes Tariff to Get Votes In Contest for

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 4 .- There who walked out of the Republican national convention in the city. Senators Cannon, Dubois and Pettigrew are here and met at the capitol to-day, but discussed matters only in a general way. There has been some speculation as to tors would attend future Republican ed, said that it would be time enough to a caucus and called attention to the fact that notices always are served on Republican senators that a caucus is to

standing in the party rests with those who call the caucus," he said.

"If we are asked to participate we will then decide what to do."

Another senator said that he would

revenue we need and its collection will not add a farthing to the national ex-pense. Besides that, nobody would feel it. Changing conditions have wrought corresponding changes in my tariff views. And, if we are to perma-

#### GOLD AND SILVER.

Report of the Director of Mints-Colonge During the Year-The World's Supply of Metallic Money.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 4.-The report of R. E. Preston, the director of the mint, shows the operations of the mints and assay offices during the fisent year, 1896, together with statistics foreign countries relative to the pro-letton, coinage and monetary condi-on of each.

original gold bullion deposited at

was 1,161,768 fine ounces costing \$1,511,520.

The average 1-miden prive of silver builton during the fixed year was equivalent to 20,6895; the New York price was 26,6891 and the average price at the par of exchange whs 26,7688. The highest quotation during the year was equivalent to 30,7091; the lowest quotation 50,6993; The commercial ratio of gold to silver was 1 to 20,391 and the infillent value of a United States silver dollar, at the versity average price, was 26,5232. The number of grains of pure silver, at the average price, purchashe with a United States silver dollar at the control of the gold to silver was 1 to 20.55 and the builden value of a United States silver dollar, at the yearly average price, was 30.5252. The number of grains of purshiver, at the average price, purchashiver, at the average price, purchashiver, at the average price, purchashiver at the average price, purchashiver at the average price, purchashiver at the average was 719.95, equivalent to 1.179 the outliers here was closed. No cause is given the price of the price of

REPORTS CONFLICT.

376 for the previous year. The net silver exports were \$33,242,258 as against \$27,631,759 for the previous year.

The employment of preclous metals in the Industrial arts in the Faited States during the calendar year 1855 was: Geld \$13,429,085; silver \$12,277,024.

The new material consumed in the manufacture of these bars was: Geld \$3,481,789; silver \$5,825,387.

The metallic stock in the United States on July 1, 1896, was: Gold \$59,51,981; silver \$628,728,071; a total of \$1,228,326,035. tained Another Defeat.

228,526,635.
The total coinage of gold and silver the various countries of the world

total metallicetock and uncover-iper in the world was estimated on The total metallic stock and uncovered paper in the world was estimated on January 1, 1898, to be as follows:
Gold 34,143,709,000; full legal tender silver 32,516,700,000; limited tender silver 1829,209,000; total metallic stock, 38,580,009,900, uncovered paper \$2,555,609,000; grand total \$10,928,600,000.

#### EXTRA SESSION

Favored by Congressman Repburn-Pos

wible Taxiff Legistation.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Congress-man Hepburn, of Iowa, chairman of the nerce, and Congressman Broderick, of

timent from Canton is an extra session and for a complete revision of the tariff in accordance with Republican doctrine, and I do not look for much legislation at this session beyond the passage of the regular appropriation bills."

Mr. Broderick and Mr. Thomas say the sentiment in the west is decidedly in favor of the recognition of the independence of Cuba, but they are inclined to think Congress having expressed its wish, the question of decisive action rests with the executive.

#### STEAMBOAT INSPECTION. Annual Report of the Supervising In-

spector General.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Supervising Inspector General Dumont, of the steamfiscal year that the number of annual certificates of inspection issued to steam vessels, foreign and domesuc, was 8,297; number of certificates issued to foreign passenger steam vessels, 390; to domestic steam vessels, 7,997. Total net tonnage, 2,228,002,56. The officers licensel num-bered 39,917. It is estimated that 560,-

#### DEFECTIVE ARMOR PLATE.

a Little too Particular. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 4.—Fo many months past the navy depart-nent has been having more or less difficulty in obtaining a sultable grade of steel for the construction of naval ves-sels and particularly at Newport News, where defective plates have been found in several war vessels. Possibly the de-velopment of the weakness in the plates involving the use of flanged plates in-stead of flat plates connected by angle rolls, or it may be that the constructor in charge at New port News is more particular than others as to the quality of the plate he uses, but it is certain he has rejected and thrown on the he has rejected and thrown on the hands of the makers—the Carnegie Co,, an unusually large number of plates. The attention of the steel board has been directed to this subject and con-sideration is being given to the ques-tion asto whether it will be necessary to change the system of inspection at the steel mills or make the specifica-tions more rigid.

#### Blackmallers Checked.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 4.—Post-master General Wilson to-day checked the operations of an enterprise that has been sending insulting and threatening letters broadcast by issuing a fraud order against the Western Letter Brokerage Company, of No. 27 Twenty-fourth Place, Chicago. The concern claims to possess a host of compranising medical letters and in lieu of the demanded fee threaten to deliver the letters to scheming blackmallers, "hands that have no mercy and will stoop to almost every crime on the calcular," the operations of an enterprise that has

#### He Regrets 1t.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec, 4.—The proposed prosecution of the lowa state editors, home officials grows out of an investigation made there by a congressional committee, Pemelon Bureau officials, though having no connection with the case, are surprised at the developments of the inquiry and say that the exaction by the management of all in excess of 15 per mouth from all inmates in a direct violation of law, Somewhat shuitar charges were made some time ago against dovernor Smith of the national soldiers' home at Leavenwarth Emass. enworth, Kansas.

#### Postoffices Discontinued. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Postofflees discontinuosi, Peerless, Kanawha coun-ty, mail to Lewiston; Red Hill, Wood county, mail to Murphytown.

III Intelligencer.

Rumor That Weyler Has Sus-

FIVE HUNDRED WOUNDED MEN

From the Spansih Army Arrive in Havana-Counter Statement that the Vanguard of Macco's Command was Defeated-Report that an Entire Spanish Garrison Deserted to the Cubans Guer Illa Fighting in the Vicinity of Ravana

gers by steamer from Havana to-night say a train with five hundred Spanish soldiers arrived there to-day, it was said most of them came from the vicin-No definite statement could be had as from what battlefield they came. Ru-mors prevailed on their arrival that Weyler had sustained another defeat. Counter statements were also made that the vanguard of Macco's army had

Moreover it was appounced that Wevler is on the eve of attempting to storm some of the hill tops where Macco is entrenched, and this has raised great expectations in Havana.

This afternoon it was current rumon rison of Spaniards had deserted over to Macco with their arms, ammunition and stores. The place was not given, lactos. Over four hundred and fifty men were in the garrison. Late in the afternoon, guerrilla fighting was reported across the bay from Hayana.

party of insurgents made a dash into the suburbs. They succeeded in killing three Spanish soldiers, capturing one captain and firing several houses. They est five men killed. Several American correspondents at Havana have bad Weyler is contemplating deporting ome of the more outspoken ones because their reports do not please him.

#### CUBAN SYMPATHIZERS

Petition President Cleveland to Intesfer for Humanity's Sake

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 4,-The follow-ing letter has been sent to President Cleveland. It was signed by the committee appointed at the mass meeting of Cuban sympathizers, held in this city November 21st: ST. LOUIS, Dec. 2, 1896.

November 21st:

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 2, 1896.
To His Excellency, Grover Cleveland, President, Washington, D. C.

Sir:—The press reports that have been published for months past and are being daily published from the Island of Cuba, indicate that the war being wared by the Cuban people for liberty on the one side and by the forces of the Spanish government, for their subjugation, on the other, has degenerated into a bloody and merciless system of externination, in which women and children, the used and infirm and other non-combatants are subjected to inhuman and barbarous treatment by the Spanish soldiery.

The letter then refers at length to the previous rebellions and of their barbarous character, and concludes:

feetive and repeated expressed will of the vast majority of your fellow citizens by granting to the Cuban people the rights of belligerents, which we believe will at once mollify the horrors of this war and tend to its speedy termination.

#### BLIZZARD IN VIRGINIA Norfolk Cat Off From the Outside World.

Twelve Inches of Suow.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 3.—By mail to Suffolk, Va., Dec. 4.—Norfolk was cut off from the outside world by the severe blizzard which struck this vicinity on Wednesday evening. Transportation was delayed in every way from one to was delayed in every way from one to nine hours. There are at least 100 tel-egraph poles down along the Norfolk & Western rallroad between this city and Suffolk, a distance of only twenty miles. All the telephone, telegraph, trolley and electric light wires are down in the city, and pedestrians have to be very care-ful on account of live wires in the

This is the worst lay out of the tele-1885 There is not a single wire running out of the city. The damage to proper ty is enormous.

#### Everybody Relieved.

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis., Dec. 4. The water to-night has receded thirty-even inches and many of the buildings lately under the flood, are commencing trely under the flood, are commencing o reappear. Some of them have been rushed in by the lee. A few business ten are moving back, although the majority will remain at their present locations and take no chances. The ice pack as ceased to grow, the anchor ice being arried under the gorge by the swift current of the clark. If respent conditions carried under the gorge by the switt cur-rent of the river. If present conditions continue, the ice will gradually wear away, Everybody is feeling not only re-lieved, but very sanguine over the out-look.

#### Ice Gorge Pormed.

MENOMINEE, Mich., Dec. 4.—An fee orge has formed in the Menominee iver at Fischer, in this country, and the iver has overflowed its banks in several places as far up as Twin Islands. The large relay farm of the Ludington, Wells and Van Schaack company is covered with four feet of water. Above Fitscher the river has virtually changed its course, and has swept into the Cedar river channel. Much property is destroyed.

#### Gets a Ble Contract.

READING, Pa., Dec. 4.—It was learned to-day that the Philadelphia & Reading rolling mill will likely be started up bout January I, and that Milligan Itroa.

about January I, and that Milligan Bros. of New York are to take charge.

The Union Bridge Company received the contract to construct the blg bridge across the Hudson at New York for \$20,000,000, and it is understood that Milligan Bross, will furnish much of the material. Further information is that in the event of the null being leased by the Union Bridge Company, the works in all probability will be kept going steadily for circh vezza. for eight years.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The eighty-sixth annual report of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, made public to-day, shows eatisfactory progress in nearly a, the missions except those of Turkey, where "a

# carnival of robbery, massacre and outcarnival of robbery, massacre and out-rance has occurred. The report com-plains of the withdrawal of the gifts for Turkish missions usually made by the American churches and says. "It has beened like the American churches were likely to finish the work which fire and eword has begun." The board thanks the American diplo-matter representatives in Turkey for their energy in protecting the persons and property of the missionaries. The receipts of the board during the year reached a total of 1713,104. MORE CONFIDENCE

THOMAS JAMISON DEAD.

A Well Known Pittsburgh Banker Passe

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Doc. 4.—Thomas

Jamison, president of the Monongahele

gheny, By his death Philipburgh loses a

citizen who has played a most conspic

uous and honorable part in the busi-

years, and one who has contributed much to its advance. In the midst of

his busy life he found time to lead

takinss of his own denomination, the United Presbyterian church. For a number of years he was a member of the session of the United Presbyterian church. He was also treusurer of the First United Presbyterian church, of Alletheny of which he was a prominent propriet.

A Flend Pats Potson in Flour at a

Bakery-Six Hundred V ctims.
MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 4.—What is

thought to be an attempt at wholesale

was reported to the health department

to-day, when information was given of the sudden and serious illness of about

one hundred families, numbering be-

northwestern part of the city. The cause

at a bakery owned by Otto Figlesthaler,

number of the cases are considered serious, if not fatal,
Mrs. Fislesthaler, the wife of the baker, stated to-day that she thought that
some one had deliberately put poison in
the box containing the flour from which
the bread was made.
The police are convinced from the inrestigation to-night, that arsente was
placed in the bread with intent to cause
the death or serious illness of Figlesthaler's customers, with the object of
ruining his business. Arrests will be
made to-morrow.

DOCTORS IN CONVENTION. Physicians of Three States Meet at Cum

Tri-State Medical Society of Maryland

West Virginia and Pennsylvania met in

semi-annaul session yesterday, in this city. The meeting was called to order by the president, Dr. E. T. Duke. The

session was opened with prayer by Rev. Louis Randall, of the Methodist Protest-ant church. Mr. Isaac Hirsch, a mem-

ant church. Mr. Isaac Hirsch, a member of the city council, delivered an address of welcome, which was responded to by Dr. A. G. Smith, of Ocean, Md. A committee of five was then appointed to draw up suitable resolutions respecting the death of three members of the association—Dr. S. S. Good, of Meyersdale; Dr. Thomas C. Price, of Prostsburg, and Dr. Murdock, of Pittsburgh. The venerable Dr. C. A. Ohr, of this city, read an able paper on "La Grippe." Other important subjects were discussed by Dr. T. Griffith, Frostburg, Md.; Dr. William F. Barclay, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Dr. S. A. Boucher, Barton, Md.; Dr. T. A. Ashby, Baltimore; Dr. T. A. Harris, Parkersburg, W. Va., and Dr. A. F. Spicher, Elk Lick, Pa.

GERMAN OPINION

Of the President's Retallation Shipping

BERLIN, Dec. 5.—The National Zel

"The tonnage dues at Hamburg, Bremen, etc., will certainly be raised. They will not be applied, however, as it

America, to state purposes, but exclu sively to improving the harbors and will thus benefit all shipping."

will thus benefit all shipping."
This paper continues:
"German shippers must build their own wharves in America, foreigners having such wharves in German ports. Owing to this essential difference in the method of applying the money Germany obtained advantages in 1888, of which she will now be deprived. Some time ago the officials at Washington seemed disposed to make the whole law retrospective, but doubtful financial canditions appeared to render the moment unpropitious and fresh German representations remained without result. A considerable sacrifice is imposed upon German ship owners."

result. A consulerance sacrince is imposed upon German ship owners."

The Frebissinge Zeitung estimates that the bereasing expenditure for the North German Lloyd steamship company alone will amount to 150,00 marks.

The German Journalists' Trial. BERLIN, Dec. 4.—When the trial of Herr Beckert, Baron von Luetzow, Herr

Plactz, Herr Berger and Herr Faciline

the journalists, who are charged with

Reelling Count Botho Zu Eulenberg

Baron Marschall von Bieberstein an-

Prince Alexander von Hohentohe, (an

Prince Alexander von Hohenlohe, (an outcome of the carr's and Emperor WilHam's toast at Breslan) was resumed today, the public prosecutor annothed that he had instituted prosecutings against Baren von Luctzow on charges of forgery and fraud.

This latest development in an interesting case is the result of the evidence taken yesterday, which tended to demonstrate that Baren von Luctzow had forged a receipt for meney, while an interview with the chief of police yesterday showed that Von Tausch, the commissioner of the detective police traced.

day nowed that you reason the own missioner of the detective police trace the incriminating article to the foreign office. It was subsequently develope that Baron you Lucizaw was the author of the assertion that the fulse version came from the foreign office, and it was

an agent of the secret police

tung says of the proclamation by the President of the United States, reimposing tonnage dues on German ves

made to-morrow.

In the Business World Reported by the Review of Trade.

## VERY GRATIFYING REDUCTION

Of Failures Since the Disturbances Due to the Presidential Campaign - Strong Ground for the Confidence so Generally Expressed - thendownest of Two Rie Combinations a Good Sign-Iron, Wool

NEW YORK, Dec. 4-R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade to-morrow

show a gratifying reduction compared with October and are especially important as showing that the peculiar disturband as showing that the peculiar disturb-ance during the presidential cumpaign, which swelled failures 250,000,000 in Au-gust and September, did not prevent quick return to a monthly aggregate scarcely greater than that of May. De-faulted Habilities in eleven months have been \$198,758,459, against \$148,544,201 last year, the increase below only \$144,600,000

Bros. Is 13.66 against 12.92 a month ago. In the cotton manufacture there is little change, though goods are selling better, but with many added works production exceeds present demand.

The market for raw cotton is weak with middling uplands an eighth lower with over 4.750,000 bales in eight by December I, when the crop is usually about half in sight, current estimates would leave only 3.500,000 more to come forward in nine months and the larger consumption in mills does not advance prices. Other produce markets have been weaker.

crease of 25,490 barrels for the week, the further decrease is expected owing to di-minishing export demand of flour. Failures for the week have been 319 in the United States against 324 last year and in Canada 55 against 52 last year.

# VARIOUS VIEWS In London Regarding the Plan to Make Mr. Bayard a Present. LONDON, Dec. 5.—The Daily Tele-

graph this morning devotes three col-umns to its project for a subscription for farewell Christmas gift to United tates Ambassador Bayard. The list of ubscribers for the day includes Sir amount subscribed, including the original £100 with which the Telegraph opened the list, is £168. Sir Henry Irving writes in conection with his subscription "The present you suggest would be a graceful companent."

The Chronicle has another editorial this morning in deprecation of the project.

ject.
An editorial in the Morning asks:
"What has Mr. Bayard done to be brought into ridicule in this manner? The sooner the proprietors of the Daily Telegraph acknowledge their mistake by relegraph acknowledge their mistake by withdrawing thes ubscription, the bet-

#### NEW KIND OF PRIZE FIGHT. A Kentuckian is to Have a Contest with

Bent. CEREDO, W. Va., Dec. 4.—It is an-iounced that a match for \$500 a side has been made for a fight between Thomas Stevens, of Catlettsburg, Ky., and a hear, owned by B. F. Wilson, of this place. The hear is a ten-months-old cub, and is a vicious young brute. Stevens is to be provided with a hunting knife with a four-lineh blade, while the hear thrate-with nature's weapons. The battle teleto take place at Catlettsburg, Christmura evening in the opera house. Stevens is not a novice at bear-fighting, and has killed several of them in their native weads, though in this contest he will be handleapped by the size of his weapon. seen made for a fight between Thomas

# A General Strike.

A General Strike.

HAMBURG, Dec. 4.—At a meeting of the general strike committee nere co-day it was decided to declare a general strike; and a pamplet was issued calling upon all day laborers, engineers, bargemen, lumpers and car men to quit work in order to bring the business of the port to a complete standstill. The majority of the quny laborers have obeyed the call and the remainder will probably quit work at noon.

### Weather Perceast for To-day.

For West Virginia, fair; warmer; southerly whits.

For Western Pennsylvania and Ohio,
For Western Pennsylvania and Ohio,
fair, except on the lakes; local showers
and generally cloudy; fresh to brisk southwesterly whits.

#### Local Temperature.

The temperature vesterday as observed by C. Schnepf, druggist, corner Four-teenth and Market streets, was as follows: